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Jongik WON et al.

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For: METHODS FOR ETCH LOADING PLANAR  
LIGHTWAVE CIRCUITS

Examiner: B. Tran

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 15, 2006 (Paper No. 20060511), for which a response was due on August 15, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 15, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3.

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